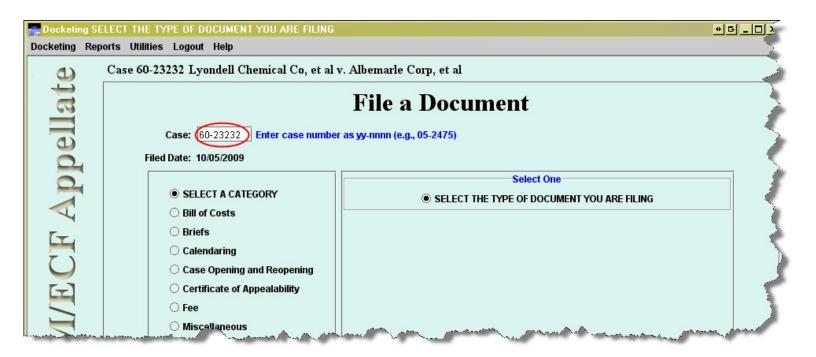
Fifth Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals How to File a Response

Note: If you are responding to another party's motion, and you want to file a new motion in the same document, use the event **Motion Filed with Incorporated Response** instead of this event.

- 1. Single click **Docketing** from the menu bar.
- 2. Single click **File a Document** from the drop-down menu.



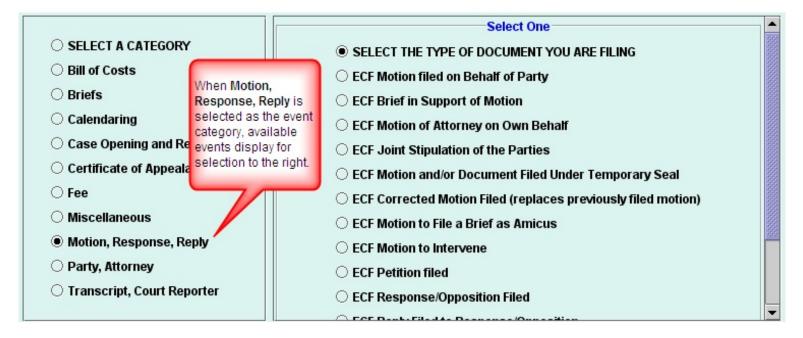
3. Click to place your cursor in the **Case:** text box.



- 4. Enter your case number (ex. 08-10084, 08-2).
- 5. Single click a radio button to the left of **Motion**, **Response**, **Reply**. When a choice is made, the available events for that category display on the right.

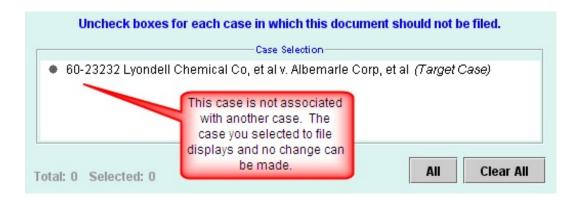


6. Single click a radio button to the left of **Response/Opposition Filed**.



7. If your case is associated with another case (e.g., consolidated, crossappeal, additional), the other case will display in the **Case Selection** box and will default as checked so that the entry you are docketing will be applied to both cases (or all cases if multiple are listed).

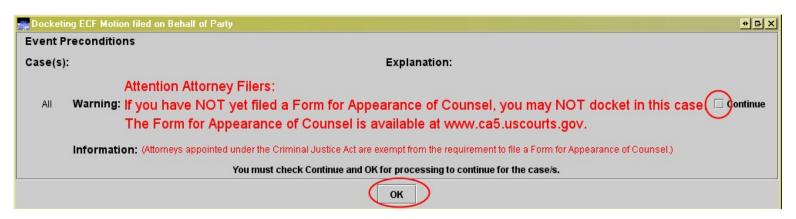
In the situation where your filing does not apply to all cases checked, single click the checkbox to the left of the case to de-select it.



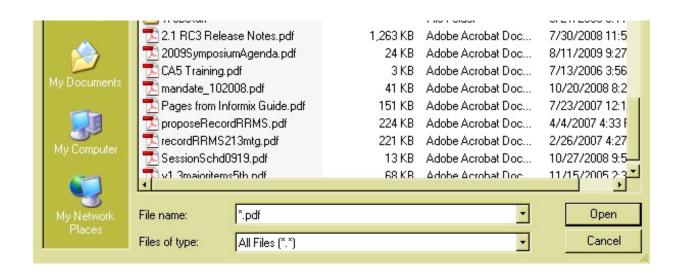
8. Click **Continue** to proceed to the next screen.



9. Single click the **Continue** checkbox to acknowledge that you have filed an appearance in this case. If you have not, do not click the checkbox, simply click **OK**. The event will not proceed. Obtain the appearance form from our web site, file the appearance with that event and then docket the motion.

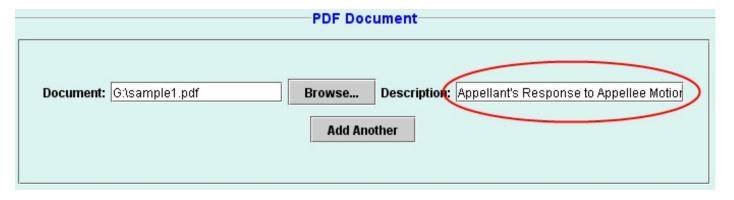


- 10. Upload your document.
 - a. Either type the complete path to the file or click **Browse** to locate it (single click to select the file and click **Open**).



b. Enter a description for your document using the format of the examples below. A description is mandatory.

Appellant's Response to Appellee Johnson Motion to Dismiss Appellee/Cross-Appellant's Response to Motion to Expedite Briefing



If the document is filed on behalf of the only appellant or appellee, you need not specify the party name. However, if the document is filed on behalf of one or more parties but there are other parties in the case of the same type, you should indicate the party's name.

11. If you have additional documents to attach to this filing, click **Add Another** and follow the steps in 9 above.

If your document is so large that it needs to be broken into separate documents because of the file size limitation, you would upload the extra parts of the documents as attachments. The file size limitation for a single file is 10 MB. If multiple files are attached to the entry, the limitation for all files is 50 MB.

12. Select the filer of the document. In most cases, even though you are the

attorney, you are filing on behalf of the party, so the party name(s) should be selected.

Single click the checkbox to the left of the name/type. Select all applicable filers. Use the **All Cases** button if the party is in multiple cases. This will automatically select all the cases at once for you for the party chosen prior to clicking **All Cases**. If you neglect to use this button, you would have to single click each party in each case.



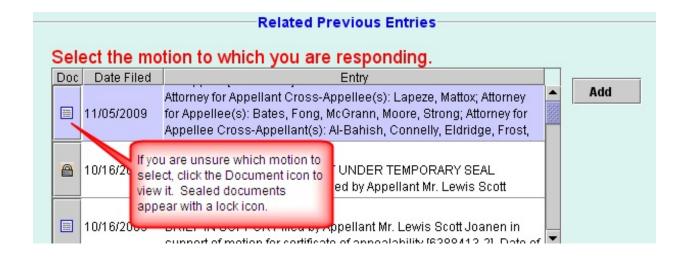
Use the **Select All** button to select all filers listed. Use the **Clear All** button to remove selections and start filer selection again. Do not click the **Display All Parties** button.

If you are filing on behalf of multiple attorneys:

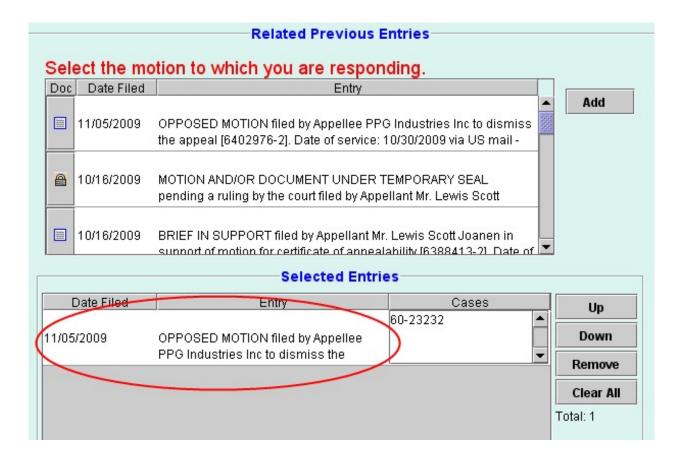
Add the additional party and attorney names in the box provided on the docket text window.

13. Select the motion that you are responding to from the list of motions in the **Related Previous Entries** screen.

Single click the row containing the motion. Note: when you click to select, if the entry was lengthy it may adjust on the screen pushing the first row up. To return to the original display, single click a different row to confirm the entry text and then select your row again.

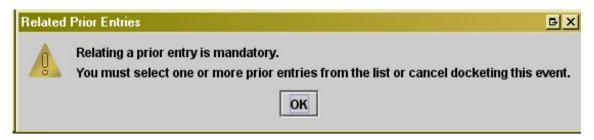


With a row selected, single click **Add** to move your selection into the box below.



Use the **Up** and **Down** buttons to order multiple selected entries, if any. The **Remove** button removes a selected row from the box. **Clear All** removes all selected entries so you can start over.

Until your entry displays in the **Selected Entries** box it is not linked to the original motion and you will not be able to proceed. If you click **Continue** without a previous entry selected, you will receive the following error message.



- 14. Click **Continue**.
- 15. Enter the date on your certificate of service. Either type the date in the Service Date: text box or single right click in the box. Choose Select Date from Calendar and then do so from the popup monthly calendar.



16. Indicate who you served and how.

Attorneys in the case will display in the **Service** box. Single click the checkbox to the left of the name to de-select anyone you have not

served. To de-select all, single click the checkbox to the left on the title row.

The individual's service preference will default as checked. Registered attorneys will all have a preference checked of **Email**. In the circumstance where an attorney has not yet registered during the voluntary phase, their preference may be set to **US mail** and you should serve them in the pre-CM/ECF manner.

The **Display All** button displays other attorneys that didn't originally display, e.g., attorneys linked to terminated parties. To undo your changes and begin the service process again, click the **Reset** button. The **Service** box will return to it's original state.



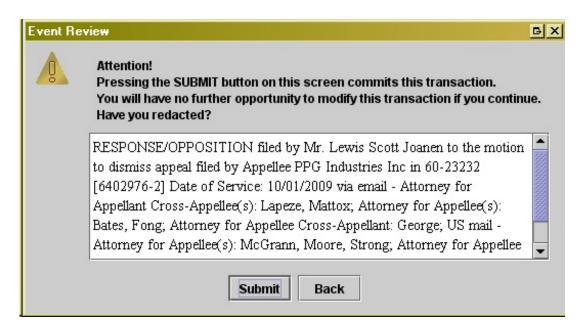
17. Click Continue.

18. On the **Docket Text** box, you cannot make changes to the existing text on the popup screen. This is an advance of how the text will look if you complete your transaction. If you need to add text about parties you did not see listed or other attorneys also filing this document, add that in the white text box on this screen. The box appears small, but it will hold over 200 characters. When complete, click **Continue**.



If something in the text causes you to believe you have made an error, click **Back** to return to the event. Use the **Back** button to maneuver through the entry to see where you make the mistake.

19. Click **Submit** on the final **Event Review** popup screen. Any text you entered in the box on the prior window will appear in *italics*. Again, if you notice an error at this point, click **Back** to return to the entry and make adjustments.



20. Click **OK** on the **Event Docketed** popup screen as confirmation that the entry has been completed.



21. The Notice of Docket Activity (NDA) will open in a new screen at the completion of your entry. Click the upper right X to close the screen after you have printed or saved it. Alternatively, select **File** from the browser menu and then **Exit**.

